

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

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ND state parks return to full services May 16

North Dakota's State Parks return to full services on Friday, May 16. Seasonal staffing is in place to meet the needs of park visitors, making sure they have a great experience.

Daily vehicle entrance fees are \$5 or a \$25 annual pass can be purchased which expires May 1, 2015. The annual pass is good for any of the state park system's 13 parks and discounts are provided to seniors and disabled military veterans. Annual passes are available for purchase at the state parks and the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department in Bismarck at 1600 E. Century Ave., Suite #3. They can also be purchased online at www.parkrec.nd.gov.

Camping sites, cabins and yurts can be reserved by calling 800-807-4723 or online at www.parkrec.nd.gov. Those visiting Icelandic State Park will have to use a detour to reach the campground. The access road over the Renwick Dam has been closed to allow reconstruction of the facility.

The past several years, North Dakota's state parks have been popular destinations for tourists, recording over a million visitors each year. Indications are the parks will have another good year so park staff have been hard at work during the off season to make sure facilities are first-rate and services are of the quality visitors have come to expect.

More information about the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department and its offerings can be found on its website at www.parkrec.nd.gov.